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Docket No.: 2950P033

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

PAUL E. MATZ, ET AL.

Application No.: 09/320,252

Filed: May 26, 1999

For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
EXECUTING A TRANSACTION TASK
WITHIN A TRANSACTION PROCESSING
SYSTEM EMPLOYING SYMMETRIC**

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants for the above-identified application respectfully Petition the Commissioner for a one (1) month extension of time, extending the period for response to July 01, 2004, from the Office Action dated March 01, 2004. The petition filing fee of \$110.00 and an Amendment and Response to Office Action are attached.

If it should be determined that a longer extension of time is required to prevent this application from being abandoned, please charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 02-2666. A copy of the Fee Transmittal is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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